Mr. George Chakyamuri.—May I know the particular individuals who are in charge of the place to look after the people ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is managed by a member of the Ramakrishna Mission.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Is he a paid man?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—He is paid a subsisting allowance of Rs. 25.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—May I know whether it is not excessive to pay Rs. 25 when compared with the number of inmates. There are only four.

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not his fault that there are only four. He is prepared to look after even twenty.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Have the Government ascertained whether there are non-official bodies who are willing to manage the thing without any remuneration whatsoever ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—I am not in a position to say.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—May I know whether any provision is made for the disposal of the dead bodies according to their religious rites or how the dead bodies were disposed ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—They were sent to the general cremation ground and buried.

Mr. Paul P. Mampilly.—For how many is there accommodation at a time ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—For fifteen to twenty.

Inadequacy of Capital for Co-operative Societies.

64. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—With reference to Question 70, dated 1st August 1933 regarding the inadequacy of Capital for Co-operative Societies, will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for their inability contained in their statement "Government are aware of the fact, but regret that nothing can be done in the matter" ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—In the initial stages of the movement small sums of money were advanced by the Government to some Co-operative Societies. By experience, this direct lending was found harmful and the system was therefore stopped. Grant of Government loan does not make the Societies self-reliant.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Is the position of the Government that the lending by the Central Co-operative Societies alone will make the Co-operative Societies self-reliant.

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Rama Varmha Tampuran.—This experiment was tried once and was found to be a failure.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Is there any direct lending in British parts ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—In the British parts they too use to lend money directly to the Societies.

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—We are also lending money to the Co-operative Central Bank through whom the primary societies can get.

Charity Wakfs.

65. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government state:—

(a) whether on 14th February 1933 they did not again promise in the Council to look into the matter of regulating Wakfs ?

(b) the number of months and days that have elapsed since their assurance in (a) ;

(c) the reasons for their not having taken any definite step in the matter as per their promise made in the Council about 2 long years ago ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) About 21 months.

(c) The Government did not receive any complaint regarding the management of the Wakf property. Hence no interference by the Government was considered necessary.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Did they not give a definite promise that legislation on the lines of Bombay will be enacted here ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I am not quite sure. I want notice.

66. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—With reference to Question 561, dated 30th March 1933 regarding Charity Wakfs, will the Government kindly state what action they have taken in accordance to their statement under reference, namely "the matter is receiving the attention of Government" ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Please see answer to sub-division (c) of Question No. 65.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—They already knew, Sir, that they were working quite satisfactorily without any complaint. Then what is the point in saying that it was receiving their attention?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It was alleged that it should receive the Government's attention. They went into the matter and found that the principles of Mohammedan Law are

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